

REMARKS

Claim 1 is amended. Withdrawn non-elected claim 9 is cancelled.

In compliance with 37 CFR 1.312 and in view of MPEP 714.16 guidance, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter this Amendment because: (1) the amendment is directed to formal matters by, for example, correcting a typographical error introduced in claim 1 by the Examiner Amendment with the Notice of Allowance, and cancelling withdrawn non-elected claim 9; and (2) the amendment does not alter the scope of the claims. No new matter has been added in this Amendment. Therefore entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,
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